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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: MATRIX METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR SUPPLY CHAIN
MANAGEMENT
Inventors: Achim Clemens, et al.

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 41 pages, including cover sheet, 12 independent claims and 52 claims total.
2. Drawings - 8 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-11).
3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$710	\$ 710.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
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Independent Claims	12	-	3	9	x \$80	720.00
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4. A check for \$2,006.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

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\$1,296.00 additional claims fee.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/193,693 filed March 31, 2000.

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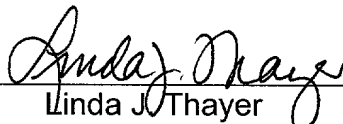
This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and any other fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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